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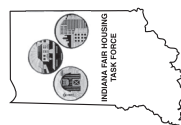
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# INDIANA FAIR HOUSING TASK FORCE

***"FAIR HOUSING  
IS OUR BUSINESS"***



**SANDRA D. LEEK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

"Morality cannot be legislated,  
but behavior can be regulated."

— Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



## WHAT IS FAIR HOUSING?

Fair housing is based upon the premise that housing should be a free choice.

## INDIANA FAIR HOUSING ACT

Citizens and residents of Indiana have the right to exercise free housing choice in renting or purchasing a dwelling and to engage in all related transactions without regard to race, color, religion, sex, disability, national origin or familial status.

## FACTS ABOUT THE INDIANA FAIR HOUSING ACT:

*Passed by the Indiana General Assembly in 1991;*

*Substantially equivalent to the Federal Fair Housing Act;*

*Applies to virtually every area of a housing transaction; and*

*Applies to both privately/publicly owned housing.*

## WHAT IS THE INDIANA FAIR HOUSING TASK FORCE?

The Indiana Fair Housing Task Force is an advisory council composed of government agencies, fair housing and disability advocates, banks, housing providers, consumer and tenant groups and social service organizations. Task Force members

help plan an annual Fair Housing Summit, assist in other sponsored projects and activities and educate the general public on fair housing laws.



## MISSION STATEMENT

**To educate housing providers, consumers and organizations involved in housing of their respective rights and responsibilities.**

**Offer new perspectives in combating housing discrimination.**

**Provide networks for coordinating education and outreach initiatives across the State of Indiana.**



## WHAT IS PROHIBITED ACTIVITY?

- Refusal to rent or sell
- Refusal to negotiate with a person
- Misrepresenting availability
- Imposing different terms and/or conditions
- Intimidation/Interference
- Financing discrimination
- Refusal to permit reasonable accommodations or modifications for persons with disabilities
- Discriminatory advertising

### • Steering:

Discouraging prospective home buyers or tenants from selecting property because of the racial, or ethnic composition of the neighborhood.

### • Blockbusting:

Pressuring individuals to sell their homes because members of a protected class are moving into their neighborhood.

### • Redlining:

Denying or imposing different terms on mortgage loans or insurance coverage because of the ethnic make-up of the neighborhood in which the property is located.

### • Occupancy Limitations:

Occupancy limitations must be made upon reasonable spatial considerations as opposed to number of children.